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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-4006

March 23, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Voorhees University Rural STEM Workforce Initiative in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Vorhees University, located at 481 Porter Road, P.O. Box 678, Denmark, SC 29042.

The funding would be used for upgrading classrooms, laboratories, technology, related equipment, and materials in the Alan Voorhees Science Building. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will turn the Alan Voorhees Science Building into a state-of-the-art 21st-Century workforce development facility.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

James E. Clyburn

Member of Congress